GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2781
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2007
DELAY IN EAST WEST CORRIDOR PROJECT
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been considerable delay in the implementation of East-West Corridor Project as reported in Dainik Jagran dated September 23, 2007;

(b) if so, the present status of the said Corridor Project, State-wise, alongwith the Stretch-wise length approved and completed till date;

(c) whether the delay in the project has resulted in cost escalation;

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds allocated and spent on the project till date; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING,ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) and (b) The status of projects implementation under East-West Corridor alongwith dates of completion/anticipated dates of completion, is given at Annexure-I. The East-West Corridor is likely to be substantially completed by 2009 excepting few projects which may be completed in 2010.

(c) and (d) In view of the provision of cost escalation clause in the contracts, the cost of construction may increase and final cost of construction can be assessed only after completion of the project. The cumulative expenditure on the projects as on 31st October, 2007 is given at Annexure-I.

(e) The steps taken for early completion of the project are given at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2781 FOR ANSWER ON 5TH DECEMBER, 2007 ASKED BY SHRI ADHIR CHOWDHURY AND SHRI NAVEEN JINDAL REGARDING DELAY IN EAST-WEST CORRIDOR PROJECT

Details of East -West Corridor (State-wise)
(As on 31st October, 2007)

Sr. No	Contract	NH No	Total Length (Km)	Length Comp. (Km)	Antici. Compl. Date	Project Cost (Rs in crore)	Cum. exp (Rs. in crore).	Present Status
State-Assam								
1	Silchar-Udarband	54	32.00	0.00	Dec-2008	154.57	47.19	Under Implementation
2	Udarband to Harangajo	54	31.00	0.00	-	155	-	Balance for award
3	Harangajo to Maibang	54	26.00	0.00	Jul-2009	212	22.34	Under Implementation
4	Harangajo to Maibang	54	24.00	0.00	Jul-2009	196	19.99	Under Implementation
5	Harangajo to Maibang	54	16.00	0.00	Feb-2009	280	49.02	Under Implementation
6	Maibang to Lumding	54	21.00	0.00	Apr-2009	200	14.1	Under Implementation
7	Maibang to Lumding	54	23.00	0.00	Nov-2008	167.64	13.13	Under Implementation
8	Maibang to Lumding	54	28.00	0.00	Apr-2009	199.81	4.18	Under Implementation
9	Maibang to Lumding	54	15.00	0.00	Nov-2008	155.04	12.76	Under Implementation
10	Lumding to Daboka	54	18.50	0.00	-	130	3.88	Under Implementation
11	Lanka to Daboka	54	24.00	0.00	Dec-2008	225	20.24	Under Implementation
12	Daboka to Nagaon	36	30.50	0.00	Dec-2008	225	21.47	Under Implementation
13	Nagaon bypass	37	23.00	0.00	Dec-2008	230	63.08	Under Implementation
14	Nagaon to Dharmatul	37	25.00	0.00	Dec-2008	264.72	9.83	Under Implementation
15	Dharamtul to Sonapur	37	25.00	0.00	Dec-2008	200	31.88	Under Implementation
16	Dharamtul to Sonapur	37	22.00	0.00	Dec-2008	160	19.67	Under Implementation
17	Sonapur to Guwahati	37	19.00	0.00	Dec-2008	245	76.78	Under Implementation

18 Guahati bypass 37 8.00 8.00 Dec-2003 54.87 65.34 4 LANED
19 Guwahati Bypass 37 10.50 10.50 Jun-2004 63.69 71.07 4 LANED
20 Brahmputra Bridge 31 5.00 0.00 Apr-2010 217.61 12.84 Under Implementation
21 Guwahati to Nalbari 31 28.00 0.00 Dec-2008 175.96 22.31 Under Implementation

22 Guwahati to Nalbari 31 28.00 0.00 Dec-2008 198.16 20.98 Under Implementation
23 Nalbari to Bijni 31 25.00 0.00 Dec-2008 225 38.97 Under Implementation
24 Nalbari to Bijni 31 27.30 0.00 Dec-2008 208 13.77 Under Implementation
25 Nalbari to Bijni 31 30.00 0.00 Dec-2008 200 25.75 Under Implementation
26 Nalbari to Bijni 31 21.50 0.00 Dec-2008 142 17.41 Under Implementation
27 Bijni to Assam/WB Border 31C 33.00 0.00 Dec-2008 237.8 32.43 Under Implementation
28 Bijni to Assam/WB Border 31C 30.00 0.00 Dec-2008 195 26.68 Under Implementation
29 Bijni to Assam/WB Border 31C 30.00 0.00 Dec-2008 230 33.79 Under Implementation

State-Bihar
1 Purnea - Gayakota 31 15.15 13.30 Dec-2007 62.98 78.29 Under Implementation
2 Purnea - Gayakota 31 28.00 5.00 Mar-2008 205.73 160.45 Under Implementation
3 Purnea-Forbesganj 57 41.00 10.00 Aug-2008 276 123.48 Under Implementation
4 Purnea-Forbesganj 57 38.00 0.00 Aug-2008 310 120.2 Under Implementation
5 Forbesganj-Simrahi 57 40.00 0.00 Dec-2008 332.94 68.19 Under Implementation
6 Simrahi to Ring bund (missing 57 15.00 0.00 Dec-2008 100.5 37.37 Under Implementation
link)
7 Kosi Bridge including approaches 57 10.00 0.00 Mar-2010 418.04 81.78 Under Implementation
and Guide Bond & Afflux Bond
8 Ring bunds to Jhanjharpur 57 45.00 0.00 Dec-2008 340 41.47 Under Implementation
9 Jhanjhapur to Darbanga 57 40.00 0.00 Dec-2008 340 19.67 Under Implementation
10 Darbanga to Muzzaffarpur 57 40.00 0.00 Dec-2008 305 21.78 Under Implementation
11 Darbanga to Muzzaffarpur 57 30.00 0.00 Dec-2008 291.8 93.44 Under Implementation
12 Muzzaffarpur to Mehsi 28 40.00 0.00 Mar-2009 275 56.95 Under Implementation
13 Mehsi to Kotwa 28 40.00 0.00 Mar-2009 239 54 Under Implementation
14 Kotwa to Dewapur 28 38.00 0.00 Mar-2009 240 49.87 Under Implementation
15 Deewapur to UP/Bihar Border 28 41.09 0.00 Mar-2009 300 83.66 Under Implementation

State-Gujarat
1 Abu Road Deesa Section 14 10.00 10.00 Apr-2001 18.39 22.93 4 LANED
2 Palanpur - Dessa 14 22.70 22.70 Feb-2003 53.73 57.79 4 LANED
3 Deesa to Radhanpur 14 85.40 71.50 Mar-2008 479.74 319.1 Under Implementation
4 Radhanpur to Gagodhar 15 106.20 97.00 Nov-2007 410.24 303.71 Under Implementation
5 Gagodhar to Garamore 15, 8A 90.30 62.00 Jun-2008 479.54 253 Under Implementation

Sr. No Contract NH No Total Length Compl. / Project Cum. exp Present Status
Length Comp. Antici. Cost
(Km) (Km) Compl. Date (Rs in crore) (Rs. in crore).
6 Garamore to Bamanbore 8A 71.40 53.00 Jun-2008 380.7 224.11 Under Implementation
7 Bamnaborr - Rajkot 8B 31.00 31.00 - - - 4 LANED
8 Rajkot Bypass & Gondal Jetpur 8B 36.00 32.00 Mar-2008 388.09 322.44 Under Implementation
9 Rajkot - Ribda 8B 15.00 15.00 - - - 4 LANED
10 Ribda to Gondal section 8B 17.00 17.00 Oct-2002 40.44 42.43 4 LANED
11 Jetpur to Bhiladi 8B 64.50 35.00 Jun-2008 508.5 227.26 Under Implementation
12 Bhiladi to Porbandar 8B 50.50 50.50 May-2007 276.07 206.08 4 LANED
13 Palanpur to Swaroopganj 14 76.00 0.00 Mar-2009 498 75.16 Under Implementation
(Rajasthan -42 km & Gujarat-34
km)
Gujarat[34]/Rajasthan[42]

State-Madhya Pradesh
1 Jhansi-Shivpuri 25 35.00 0.00 Jun-2008 213.69 95.2 Under Implementation
2 Shivpuri Bypass & upto MP/RJ 25, 76 53.00 25.00 Feb-2008 360.34 236.92 Under Implementation
Border

State-Rajasthan
1 RJ/MP Border to Kota 76 70.00 39.00 Mar-2008 349.59 194.41 Under Implementation
2 RJ/MP Border to Kota 76 59.85 26.00 Dec-2008 430.21 188.99 Under Implementation
3 RJ/MP Border to Kota 76 43.15 10.00 Dec-2008 359.43 107.16 Under Implementation
4 Kota Bypass 76 25.00 0.00 Jun-2009 250.39 35.24 Under Implementation
5 Chambal Bridge 76 1.40 0.00 Feb-2010 281.31 33.74 Under Implementation
6 Kota to Chittorgarh 76 65.00 12.00 Dec-2008 528.44 162.62 Under Implementation
7 Kota to Chittorgarh 76 63.00 15.50 Jun-2008 503.66 187.15 Under Implementation
8 Chittorgarh Bypass 76 40.00 12.00 Jun-2008 447.9 170.79 Under Implementation
9 Chittorgarh-Udaipur 76 106.00 106.00 - - - 4 LANED
10 Gogunda to Udaipur 76 31.00 0.00 Jul-2008 288.06 177.53 Under Implementation
11 Bakaria to Gogunda 76 44.00 5.00 May-2008 530.9 249.7 Under Implementation
12 Swaroopganj to Bakaria 76, 14 43.00 0.00 Jun-2008 243.11 108.85 Under Implementation

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Length Comp. Antici. Cost

(Km) (Km) Compl. Date (Rs in crore) (Rs. in crore).
State-Uttar Pradesh
1 UP/Bihar Border to Kasia 28 41.12 0.00 Dec-2008 227 90.88 Under Implementation
2 Kasia to Gorakhpur 28 40.00 0.00 Dec-2008 242 128.59 Under Implementation
3 Gorakhpur Bypass 28 32.60 0.00 Oct-2009 600.24 92.08 Under Implementation
4 Gorakhpur-Ayodhya 28 43.70 0.00 Oct-2008 239 95.99 Under Implementation
5 Gorakhpur-Ayodhya 28 44.00 0.00 Oct-2008 227 71.74 Under Implementation
6 Gorakhpur-Ayodhya 28 29.00 0.00 Nov-2008 205 122.58 Under Implementation
7 Ayodhya-Lucknow 28 41.93 0.00 Nov-2008 212 109.9 Under Implementation
8 Ayodhya-Lucknow 28 47.00 0.00 Oct-2008 217 109.57 Under Implementation
9 Ayodhya-Lucknow 28 36.00 0.00 Oct-2008 193 95.26 Under Implementation
10 Lucknow Bypass 56A & B 22.85 10.00 Dec-2007 185.52 251.69 Under Implementation
11 Lucknow Kanpur Section 25 10.42 10.42 Aug-2002 32.85 36.8 4 LANED
12 Lucknow-Kanpur section 25 22.20 22.20 Feb-2006 94.91 86.29 4 LANED
13 Lucknow-Kanpur section 25 15.50 15.50 Mar-2005 50.02 45.47 4 LANED
14 Lucknow - Kanpur 25 16.00 5.00 Dec-2007 51.28 36.54 Under Implementation
15 Ganga Bridge to Rama Devi 25 5.60 0.00 Sep-2008 201.66 24.22 Under Implementation
Crossing
16 Kanpur-Bhognipur section 2 43.00 0.00 - - - 4 LANED
17 Bara to Orai 2, 25 62.80 0.00 Apr-2009 465 15.79 Under Implementation
18 Orai to Jhansi 25 50.00 0.00 Dec-2008 340.68 41.1 Under Implementation
19 Orai to Jhansi 25 66.00 0.00 Dec-2008 451.97 168.31 Under Implementation
20 Jhansi Bypass 25 15.00 0.00 Dec-2008 158.06 47.26 Under Implementation
21 Jhansi-Shivpuri (UP/MP-1) (UP- 25 41.00 15.00 Jun-2008 220.31 79.64 Under Implementation
11 km & MP - 30 km) Uttar Pradesh[11]/Madhya Pradesh[30]

State-West Bengal
1 Assam/WB Border to Gairkatta 31C 32.00 0.00 Nov-2008 221.82 26.95 Under Implementation
2 Ghoshukur (km 351 of NH 31) 31, 31C 201.00 0.00 - 1200 - Balance for award
to Salsalabari (km 226 of NH
31C) via Fulbari- Mainagnri - Dhumpgiri - Falkata
3 Silliguri to Islampur 31 25.00 0.00 Oct-2008 155 106.08 Under Implementation
4 Siliguri to Islampur 31 26.00 0.00 Dec-2008 225 34.08 Under Implementation
5 Dalkola Islampur Sub section 31 23.85 23.85 Nov-2005 90.06 80.81 4 LANED
6 Dalkola - Islampur 31 23.00 23.00 Mar-2004 72.56 68.87 4 LANED

ANNEXURE-II

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The following steps have been taken to ensure early completion of the project:

(a) The Contracts are regularly monitored at various levels such as by Supervision Consultant, Project Directors, Senior officers of National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). Progress reviews are also held at the level of Chairman, NHAI, Secretary, Department of Road Transport & Highways and Minister, Shipping, Road Transport & Highways.

(b) State Governments have appointed Senior officers as nodal officers for resolving problems associated with implementation of the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) such as land acquisition, removal of utilities, forest/pollution/ environment clearances etc. These nodal officers hold periodic meetings to review the projects and take action to resolve the problems.

(c) A Committee of Secretaries has been constituted under Cabinet Secretary to address inter-ministerial and Centre-State issues such as land acquisition, utility shifting, environment approvals, clearance of Road Over Bridges (ROBs) etc.

(d) The procedure of issue of land acquisition notifications has now been simplified.

(e) To expedite the construction of Road Over Bridges (ROBs), an officer of the Railways has been posted to NHAI to coordinate with Ministry of Railways. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has also been signed with M/s. IRCON International Limited for construction of some of the Road Over Bridges (ROBs).

(f) Action has been taken against non-performing contractors and they are not allowed to bid for future projects unless they improve the performance in existing contracts.

(g) Steps have been taken to improve cash flow problems of contractors by granting interest bearing discretionary advance at the request of contractor, release of retention money against bank guarantee of equal amount, deferment of recovery of advances (on interest basis) and relaxation in minimum Interim Payment Certificate (IPC) amount.